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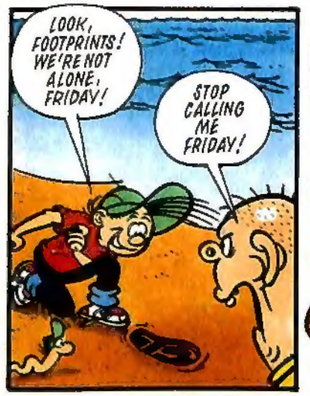
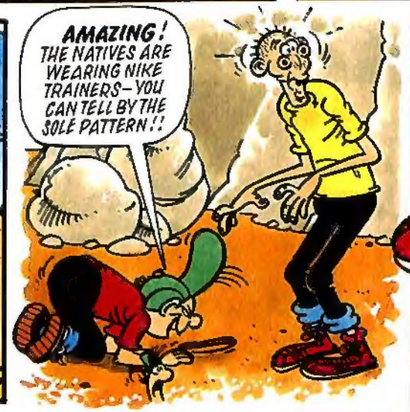
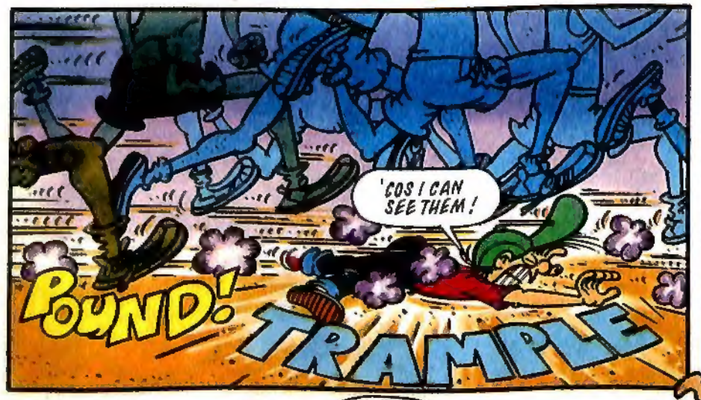
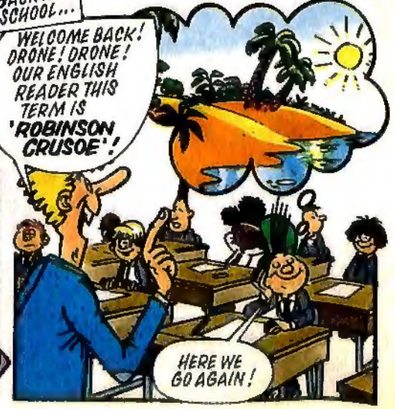




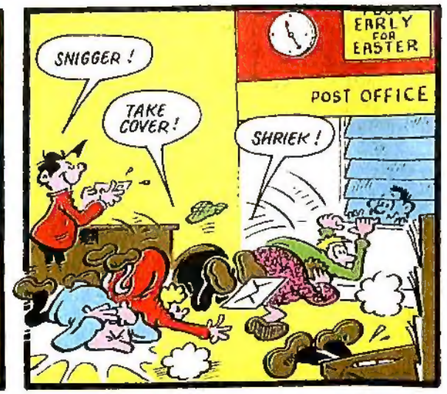




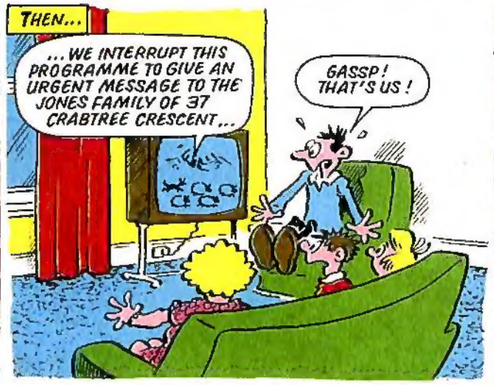
Melvyn's MIRROR

Joker
Joke Shop
SNEEZING POWDER
STINK BOMBS
ITCHING POWDER
I'VE NO MONEY TO BUY JOKES! I'LL JUST HAVE TO THINK OF SOMETHING ELSE!

AND, A LITTLE LATER...
THIS IS A STICK-UP!
POST EARLY FOR EASTER
POST OFFICE


SNIGGER!
TAKE COVER!
SHRIEK!
EARLY FOR EASTER
POST OFFICE

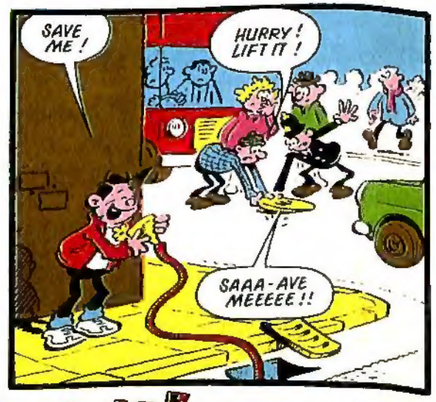
I WAS 'STICKING-UP' A STAMP ON THIS LETTER!
GURR!


THEN...
...WE INTERRUPT THIS PROGRAMME TO GIVE AN URGENT MESSAGE TO THE JONES FAMILY OF 37 CRABTREE CRESCENT...
GASSP! THAT'S US!

...A TEN TON METEORITE IS HEADING STRAIGHT FOR YOUR HOUSE!
SHRIEK!
WH-WHA... OOOOOH!

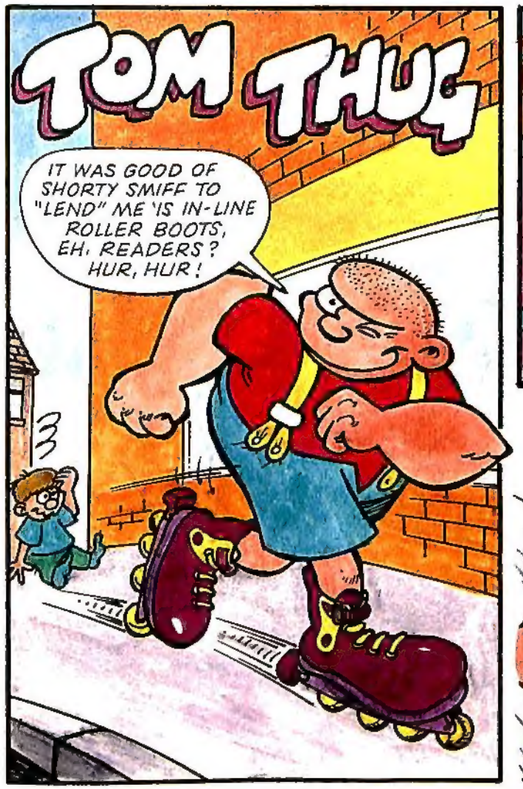
OUT, OUT! QUICK!
HUH! IT'S OKAY, DAD, IT WAS ONLY A SILLY JOKE!
SILLY? YOU FELL FOR IT, MATE!

SHORTLY...
HELP!! DOWN HERE! HELP!
WHASSAT? STOP THE TRAFFIC!


SAVE ME!
HURRY! LIFT IT!
SAAA-AVE MEEEEE!!

BUT THEN...
CROAK! CROAK!
OH, NO! I'VE LOST MY VOICE! I WAS HAVING ACE FUN WITH IT, TOO!
SERVES THE LITTLE PEST RIGHT!

CROAK! CROAK!
UGH! THERE'S A HORRID FROG SOMEWHERE IN THIS STORE!
EEK! DON'T LET IT NEAR ME!
GUESS WHO? GRIBIT!!
FRUIT & VEG
SID BURGON


TOM THUG
IT WAS GOOD OF SHORTY SMIFF TO "LEND" ME 'IS IN-LINE ROLLER BOOTS, EH, READERS? HUR, HUR!

A THUG LIKE ME ALWAYS GETS WOT 'E WANTS...
GIMME THOSE BACK, THIEF!

...SUCH AS THIS SMART CAP, F'RINSTANCE...
GRAB!
OI!

...OR THIS TASTY CHEESEBURGER! TA!
HEY!
SWIPE!
SCUTTLE!

SLURP! YEAH, I ALWAYS GET WOT I WANT!

ERK! THESE "IN-LINE" BOOTS AIN'T SO EASY AS THEY LOOK!-
Parks Dept. BUILDING WORK IN PROGRESS
SWERVE!

WHIZZ!
YESSS! WOT SKILL!

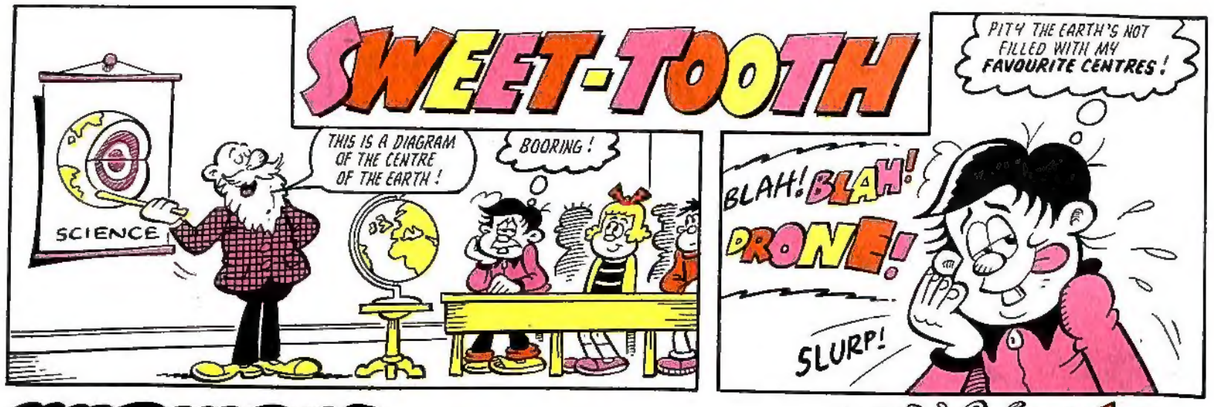
OOER! I'M SCARED OF HEIGHTS!

URK! I AIN'T TOO KEEN ON 'AVIN' A BAFF, NEITHER!
DUCK POND
SPLADOOSH!

LOOKS LIKE TOM'S BEEN BROUGHT "IN-LINE" NOW!
SPLUTTER!

SNUFFLE! COUGH! BAH! NOW I'VE GOT SOMEFIN' I DIDN'T WANT— A COLD! AHCHOO!!
Burger Bar

SWEET-TOOTH



COMMERCE CONFLICT

BARCODE BATTLER®

3 FIRST PRIZES

They're the hottest games on the street! Mighty BARCODE BATTLERS are disappearing from the shops *fast*... but we've managed to grab *THREE* to offer as First Prizes in our MEGA COMPETITION!

20 RUNNERS-UP PRIZES!

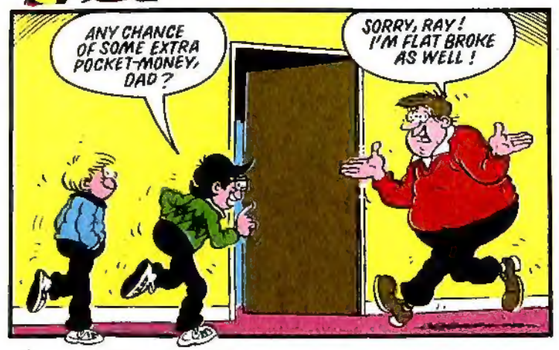
If you don't win one of our three first prizes, don't be too disappointed – you could end up with one of the 20 *SONIC* WATER WIZARD games we have on offer as runners-up prizes. TOMY water games are always tremendous fun – and SONIC THE HEDGEHOG makes this one that extra bit special!

TOMY's Barcode Battler allows you to transform barcodes you find on everyday packaging into great warriors, powerful wizards or mighty weapons, so you can create and control your very own superheroes to do battle. Every barcode is different, which means you never know what it might turn out to be. To stand a chance of winning one of the three Barcode Battlers – or one of the 20 Sonic Water Wizard games – we have on offer, simply answer this question: *On which page would you find the BUSTER barcode?* Write your answer on a postcard or the back of a sealed, empty envelope – add your own name and address – and send your entry to: BARCODE BATTLER COMP, *BUSTER* COMIC, P.O. BOX 164, CHELMSFORD, CM1 3XB, to arrive by Friday, 24th September, 1993, which is the closing date.

The first three correct entries picked at random after the closing date will each receive a Barcode Battler. The next twenty correct entries will be awarded the Sonic Water Wizard games. Usual BUSTER competition rules apply. The Editor's decision is final.

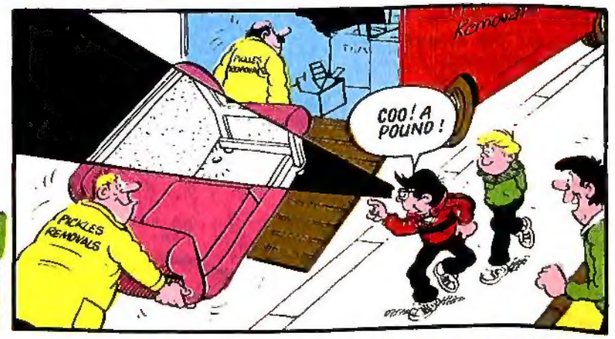
TOMY® and Buster No.1 FOR COMPS

X-RAY SPECS


ANY CHANCE OF SOME EXTRA POCKET-MONEY, DAD ?
SORRY, RAY! I'M FLAT BROKE AS WELL !

HUH ! BIG FIBBER ! HE'S GOT LOADSA-MONEY !

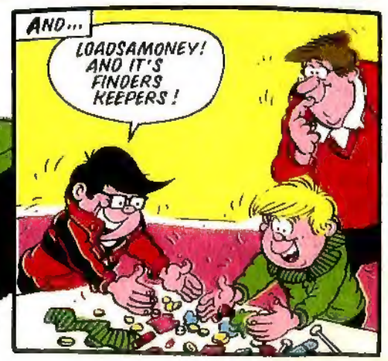
BAH ! NO MONEY! NOTHING TO DO ! BOR-ING !

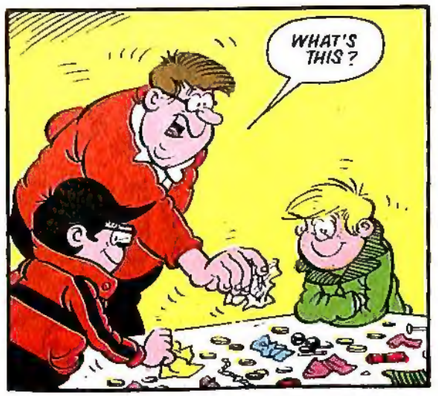

COO ! A POUND !
PICKLES REMOVALS

NICE ONE, RAY... OH, THEY'VE GONE !
PICKLES REMOVALS
WHOOSH!

WONDER IF THERE'S ANY CASH IN OUR COUCH ?

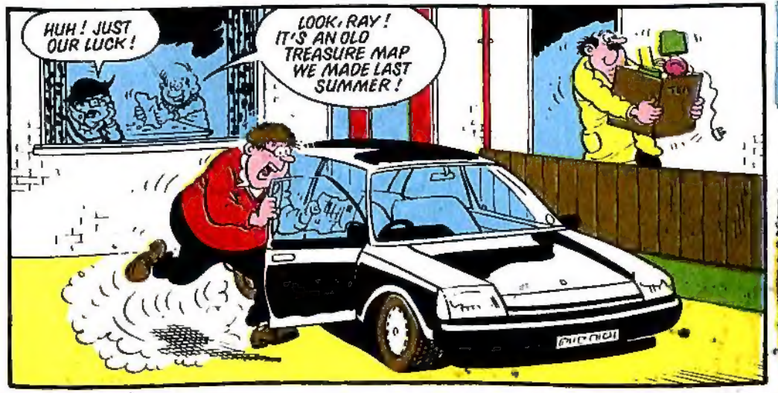
GASP ! A PROPER TREASURE TROVE !


AND...
LOADSAMONEY! AND IT'S FINDERS KEEPERS !

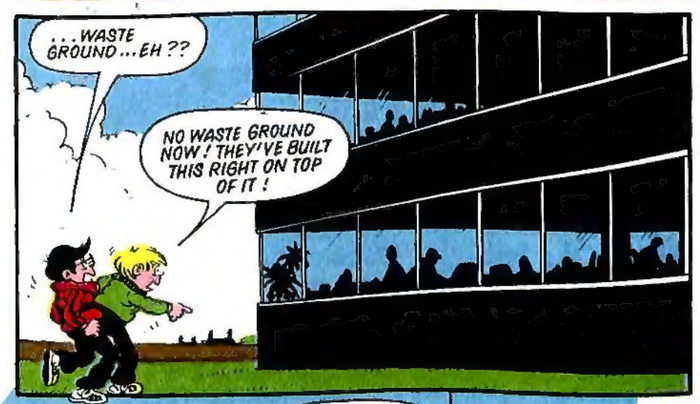

WHAT'S THIS ?

ERK ! IT'S OUR LAST ELECTRIC BILL ! IT SHOULD HAVE BEEN PAID WEEKS AGO !

SORRY, RAY, I'LL NEED ALL THIS AND MY MONEY OR IT'LL BE NO TELLY, NO STEREO... AND NO ELECTRICITY !
B-BUT...


HUH ! JUST OUR LUCK !
LOOK, RAY ! IT'S AN OLD TREASURE MAP WE MADE LAST SUMMER !

I WONDER IF OUR TREASURE'S STILL THERE ?
IT SAYS ACROSS THE PARK, TURN LEFT AT THE WALL AND INTO THE...

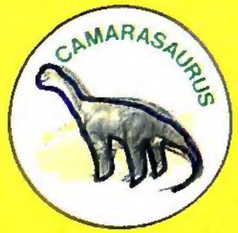

...WASTE GROUND...EH ??
NO WASTE GROUND NOW ! THEY'VE BUILT THIS RIGHT ON TOP OF IT !

BLOOMIN' CHEEK ! THEY'VE BUILT OUR TREASURE INTO THE FOUNDATION STONE !

OH, WAS THAT YOURS, RAY ? WE'VE BEEN HOPING TO FIND OUT WHO OWNED THOSE FOREIGN COINS !
FOREIGN COINS ? TSK ! WE FORGOT ABOUT THAT !

YES, BUT IT WAS A GREAT GIMMICK FOR US... WE'RE AN INTERNATIONAL BANK... HAVE FUN !
A FIVER EACH ! YAHOOO !

FREE Dinosaur Badges to collect with Buster weekly and BIG COMIC FORTNIGHTLY



FOUR FREE BADGES WITH BUSTER

Every week for four weeks there will be an exciting dinosaur badge to collect with Buster. Starting September 11th issue on sale September 4th there will be a FREE Tyrannosuarus Rex badge to start your exclusive collection. Then for the following three weeks there will be more FREE badges to collect!

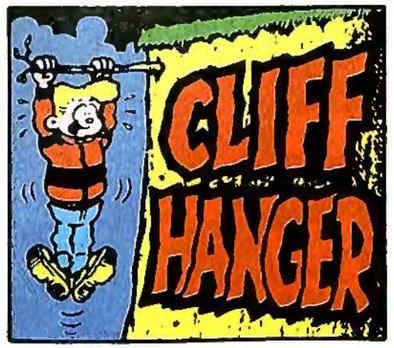
TWO FREE BADGES WITH BIG COMIC

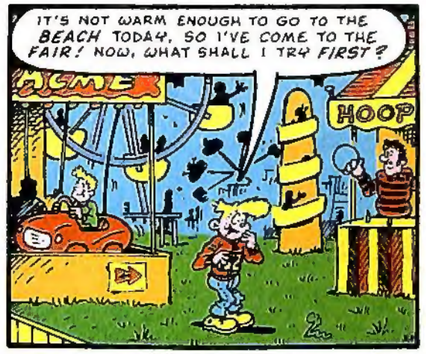
In Big Comic No. 138 on sale September 11th, you can start collecting two more FREE badges to go with the Buster badges. Your first FREE colourful badge is of Diplophosaurus and two weeks later in Big Comic 139 you can collect an Euoplacephalus badge.

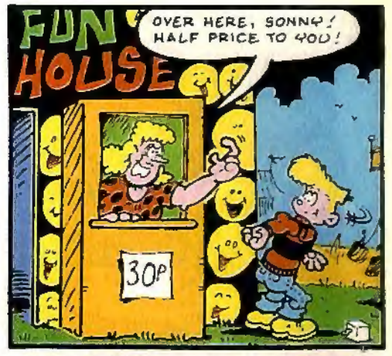
TO MAKE SURE YOU DON'T MISS THESE EXCITING FREE GIFTS ORDER YOUR COPIES OF BUSTER AND BIG COMIC FROM YOUR NEWSAGENT NOW!

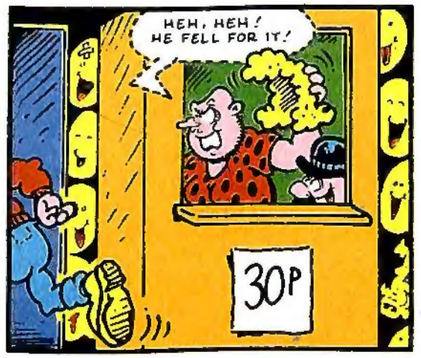
Sorry, these free badges are not available to overseas readers.

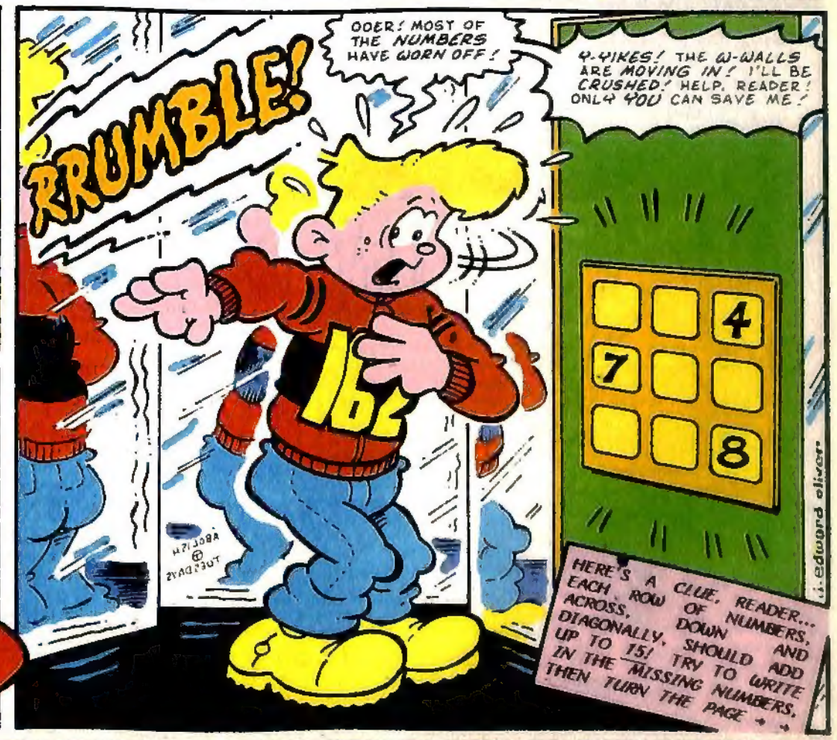
Two not-to-be-missed full-of-fun magazines!











BUSTER COMIC, P.O. BOX 164, CHELMSFORD, ESSEX, CM1 3XB.

DEAR BUSTER

EACH LETTER PRINTED WINS £2

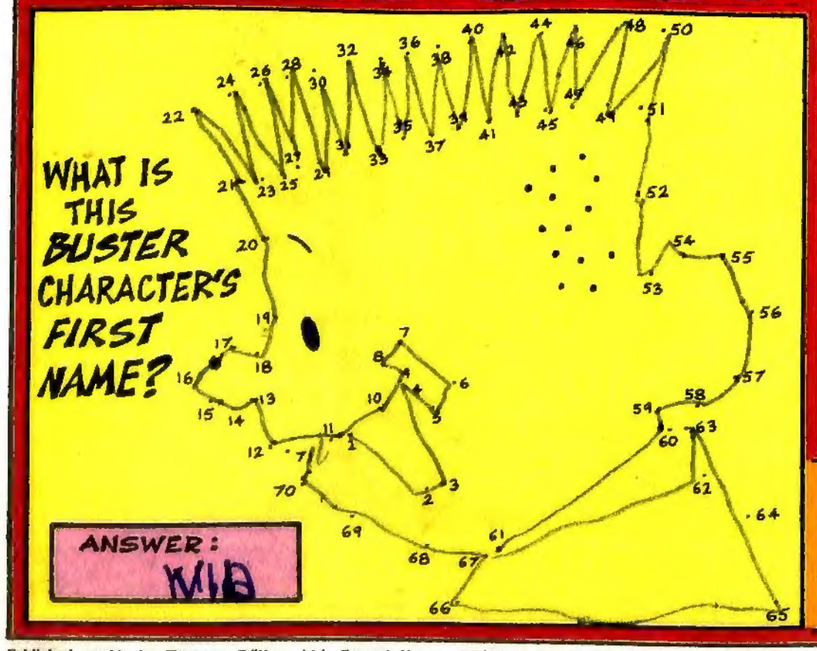
Dear Buster,
I hate to admit this, but I watched the last Eurovision Song Contest right through - and in one of the film clips about the various countries, I spotted someone reading BUSTER! I think it was either Norway or Denmark.
- MARK BENNINGTON, GRIMSBY.
...Just goes to show how BUSTER is read all over the world! And, for those eagle-eyed readers, this letter IS from the same person who draws Memory Banks and our centre spreads!

Dear Buster,
How about this for a laugh! The name of the Bristol City physiotherapist is...wait for it...
BUSTER FOOTMAN!
"Bust-a-foot man"....Physiotherapist ....dealing with injuries....funny, eh?
- COLIN SNOW, BADDOW.
...Yeah, nice one, Col! Anyone else know any wacky names to fit jobs?

Dear Buster,
I think that you should have a "STAR LETTER" every week and that whoever sends it in should get a special prize.
- MICHELLE MAY, WORCESTER.
...Great idea! Our friends at CTS PRINT in Dartford, Kent, have kindly donated stylish 'CONCORD' 35mm compact cameras, complete with wrist strap, to give to the senders of our STAR LETTERS during the whole of September. And YOU'RE the first STAR PRIZE winner, Michelle! Plus, you still get the two pounds regular prize, of course!

BRAIN BUSTERS QUIZDOTZ!

£20 TO BE WON EVERY WEEK!



Join the numbered dots, then answer the *Quiz Question* in the space provided. Complete the coupon with your name and address, then cut out and send the puzzle AND coupon to: QUIZDOTZ No 22, BUSTER COMIC, P.O. BOX 164, CHELMSFORD, CM1 3XB, to arrive by 14th September, 1993, which is the closing date. The senders of the first four correct entries opened, who have accurately joined the dots and have given the right answer to the quiz question, will each win *five pounds!*

NAME: .....

ADDRESS: .....

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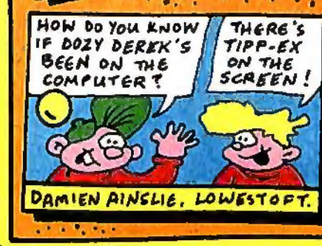
BUSTER'S PIN-BOARD and JOKE PAD

£2 FOR EACH WINNER!

Reece Jarrett Smith, London SW19.
Q. Why did the bubble gum cross the road?
A. Because it was stuck to the chicken's foot.



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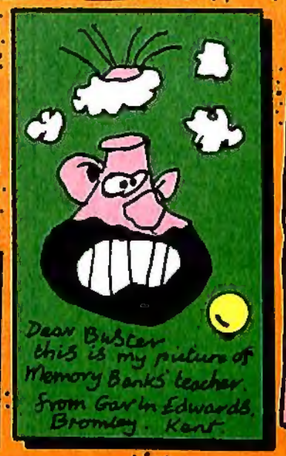

Dear Buster this is my picture of Memory Banks' teacher.
From Garin Edwards, Bromley, Kent.

Dear Buster, Please print my joke in your brilliant comic. -Gareth Kealey, Kilborrock, Dublin.

★ VIC'S VIDS! ★

I've got some more great vids up for grabs, thanks to my very good friends at the TEMPO KIDS CLUB. These three mega titles featuring the Teenage Mutant Hero Turtles, Rupert and the Transformers are in the shops now. They make great viewing - and I have 5 VHS copies of each to give away. Just write your name and address on a postcard or back of a sealed, empty envelope, and send it to: Tempo Kids Club Vids at the usual Buster address. Remember to say which vid you're trying for. First five entries for each title drawn after September 14th, 1993, the closing date, get the goodies.

BUSTER BIRTHDAYS

30 AUG - JAMIE MEANIE (age 10), CORK CITY.
1 SEP - FIONA TANG (age 16), STRATHAVEN.
4 SEP - PAUL GALLAGHER (age 14), BELFAST.
4 SEP - GABRIELLE DUDDING, OTFORD.
4 SEP - KATE PODD4 (age 12), DUFFIELD.

Sorry, pals, but because of increased production costs, the price of BUSTER will go up from 55p to 60p, starting next week. I'm sure you'll agree that it's still great value, 'coz BUSTER gives you MORE! More pages! More colour! More comps! More gifts! More features! More laughs! More FUN!

HOW TO ASSEMBLE BUSTER'S SUMMER FUN BOOK!

1. Carefully detach the page by cutting where indicated.
2. Fold in half so that pages 18 and 22 are on the outside.
3. Insert this week's pages into the middle of those you have already assembled, as shown.
4. The book is now complete! The pages should be in the correct order, from the front cover to page 40.
5. Read the book, play the game, try the puzzles, laugh at the jokes and have *loads* of SUMMER FUN!

PLEASE FILL IN AND SEND THIS COUPON WHENEVER YOU WRITE TO *BUSTER*

MY *FAVE FEATURES* IN *BUSTER* ARE:
1 .....
2 .....
MY *LEAST* FAVE FEATURE IS:
.....

DID YOU WORK OUT THE ANSWER FOR GIANT HANGER?

BOBBY'S GHOUL

GHOUL HAD VOLUNTEERED TO LOOK AFTER BOBBY'S DOG WHILE THE FAMILY WERE AWAY...

LOOK, BUSTER! A CARD FROM BOBBY AT MUDDIBEACH-ON-SEA! "HAVING A SMASHING TIME, WISH YOU WERE HERE"...

YAP!

YAP!

LET'S DO JUST THAT... BUT DON'T PANIC... WE'RE NOT WALKING TO MUDDIBEACH! AUNTIE AGGIE WILL GIVE US A LIFT!

HOLD TIGHT! MUDDIBEACH HERE WE COME!

LATER...

LOOK, BUSTER... THAT'S BOBBY FLYING HIS KITE!

YOO-HOO, BOBBY! REEL IN YOUR KITE! WE'RE READY TO EAT!

OKAY, MUM!

MEANWHILE...

OKAY, GANG! THERE'S NO-ONE IN THAT HOUSE! YOU SHIN UP THE DRAIN PIPE, LEFTY... I'LL TRY THE SIDE DOOR... AND NOBBLER CAN USE HIS SKELETON KEY ON THE FRONT DOOR!

MUM, DAD! LOOK WHO'S COME ON A SURPRISE VISIT! MY GHOULFRIEND AND BUSTER!

HOW NICE!

AAAARGH! YOU'VE LEFT OUR HOUSE EMPTY! THE LOCAL BADDIES WILL BURGLE IT!

DON'T WORRY, BOBBY'S DAD! I LEFT A FIRST-RATE SECURITY SYSTEM!

EEK!

HOW DARE THEE PEEP INTO A QUEEN'S BEDCHAMBER!

ZOUNDS! HAVE THAT, THEE VARLET!

LOOK WHAT YOUR SKELETON KEY UNLOCKED, MATE!

AARRGH!

Ricky Rainbow

THE MOST COLOURFUL BOY IN THE WORLD

IN THE OLD DAYS OF SEA-FARING, CASTAWAYS WERE QUITE COMMON!

YAWN... DESERT ISLANDS... CASTAWAYS... ZZZ!

THIS ISN'T A COLOUR CHANGE... I'M SEA-SICK! BOIK!

PHEW! A DESERT ISLAND! I'M SAFE!

HAR, HAR! WHAT HAVE WE HERE, PARROT?

A CASTAWAY LIKE YOU, MASTER!

IT'S BRUISER— AND HE'S EVEN CRAZIER THAN USUAL!

THIS ISLAND'S NOT BIG ENOUGH FOR BOTH OF US! YOU'LL HAVE TO LEAVE!

HOLD IT! WAIT!

DINNER TIME, SHARKS!

I'M THE SAME COLOUR AS YOUR PARROT, AND I'M A BETTER TALKER!

SO YOU ARE!

SIT THERE, ME OLD PARROT!

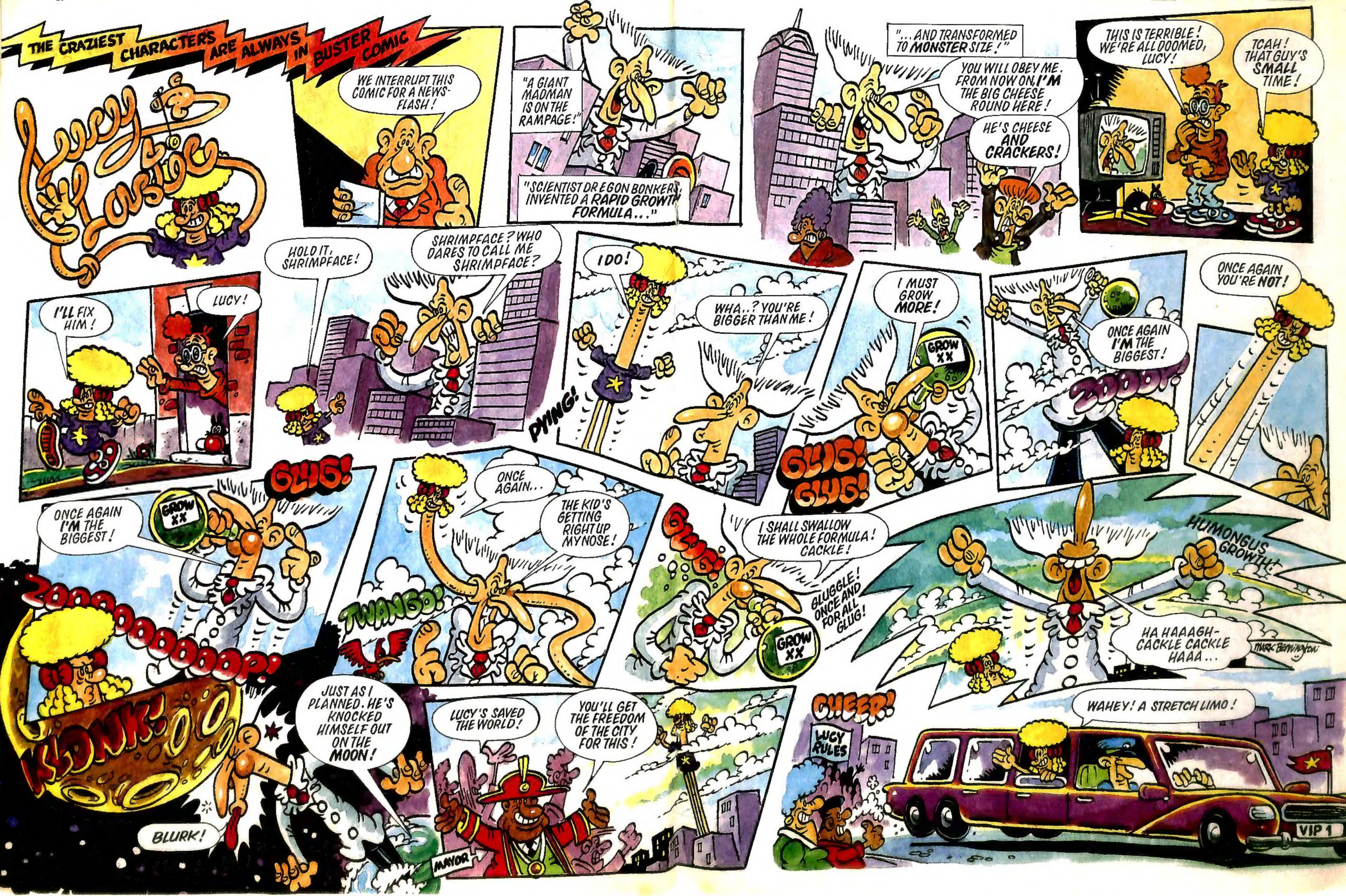
OH, WELL, IT BEATS BEING A SHARK'S DINNER!

RAINBOW! WHAT IS THE MEANING OF THIS STRANGE BEHAVIOUR?

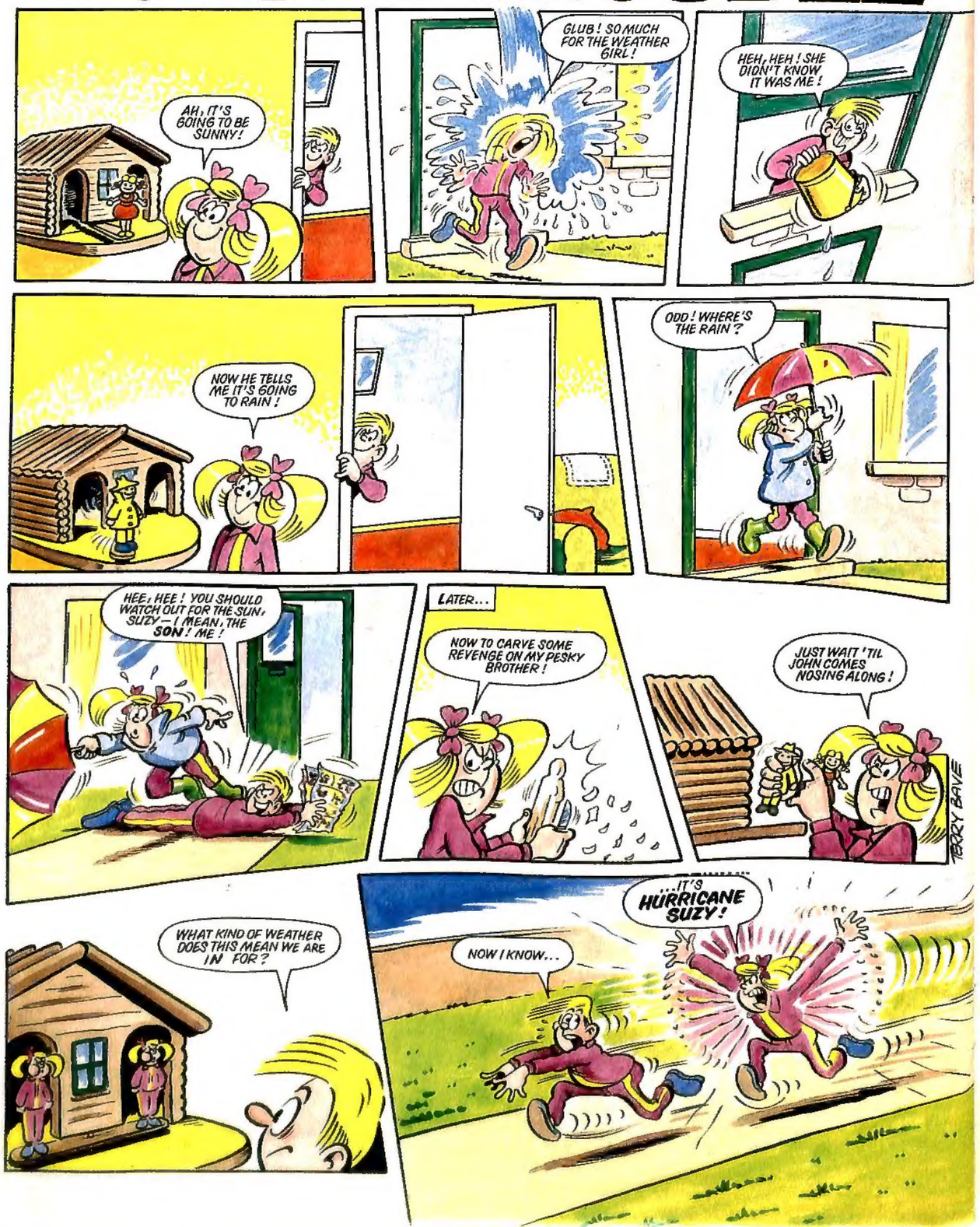
YAWN! WHO'S A PRETTY POLLY? WHAT?

WHY ARE YOU MAROON COLOUR?

SORRY, SIR—I DREAMED I WAS MAROONED ON A DESERT ISLAND!


THE CRAZIEST CHARACTERS ARE ALWAYS IN BUSTER COMIC
Lucy Lastic
WE INTERRUPT THIS COMIC FOR A NEWS-FLASH!
"A GIANT MADMAN IS ON THE RAMPAGE!"
"SCIENTIST DR EGON BONKERS INVENTED A RAPID GROWTH FORMULA..."
"...AND TRANSFORMED TO MONSTER SIZE!"
YOU WILL OBEY ME. FROM NOW ON, I'M THE BIG CHEESE ROUND HERE!
HE'S CHEESE AND CRACKERS!
THIS IS TERRIBLE! WE'RE ALL DOOMED, LUCY!
TCAH! THAT GUY'S SMALL TIME!
I'LL FIX HIM!
LUCY!
HOLD IT, SHRIMPFACE!
SHRIMPFACE? WHO DARES TO CALL ME SHRIMPFACE?
I DO!
WHA..? YOU'RE BIGGER THAN ME!
I MUST GROW MORE!
GROW XX
GLUG! GLUG!
ONCE AGAIN I'M THE BIGGEST!
ONCE AGAIN YOU'RE NOT!
GLUG!
ONCE AGAIN I'M THE BIGGEST!
GROW XX
ZOOOOOOOOOOOP!
KLONK!
BLURK!
JUST AS I PLANNED. HE'S KNOCKED HIMSELF OUT ON THE MOON!
ONCE AGAIN...
THE KID'S GETTING RIGHT UP MY NOSE!
TWANGO!
I SHALL SWALLOW THE WHOLE FORMULA! CACKLE!
GLUGGLE! ONCE AND FOR ALL GLUG!
GROW XX
HUMONGUS GROWTH!
HA HAAAGH-CACKLE CACKLE HAAA...
MARK BEMINGTON
LUCY'S SAVED THE WORLD!
YOU'LL GET THE FREEDOM OF THE CITY FOR THIS!
MAYOR
CHEER!
LUCY RULES
WAHEY! A STRETCH LIMO!
VIP 1

DOUBLE TROUBLE



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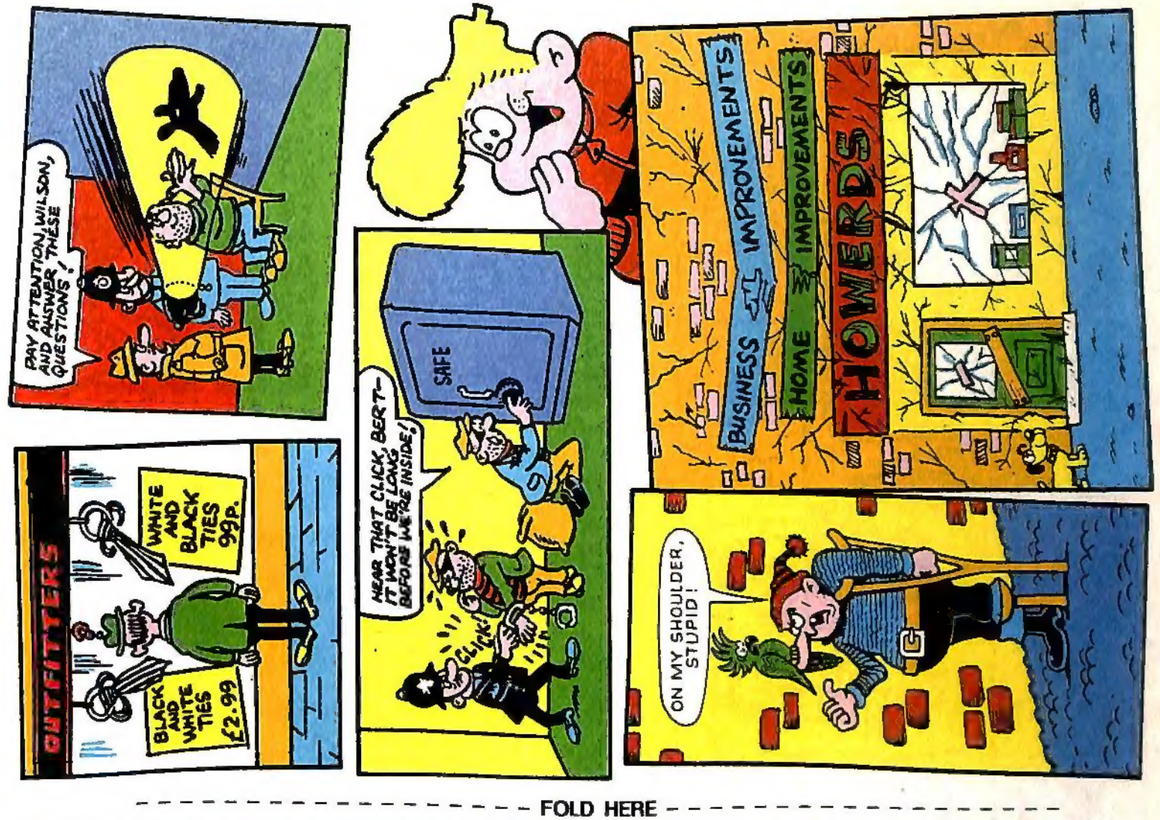

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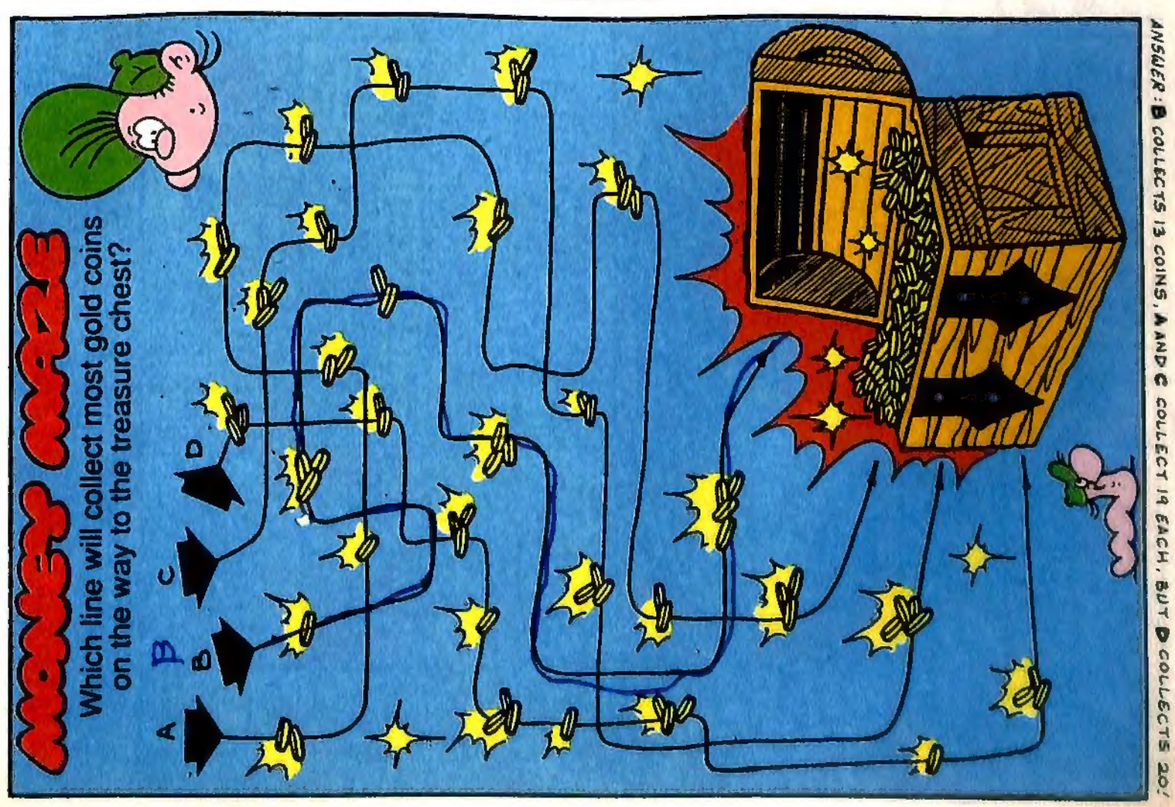
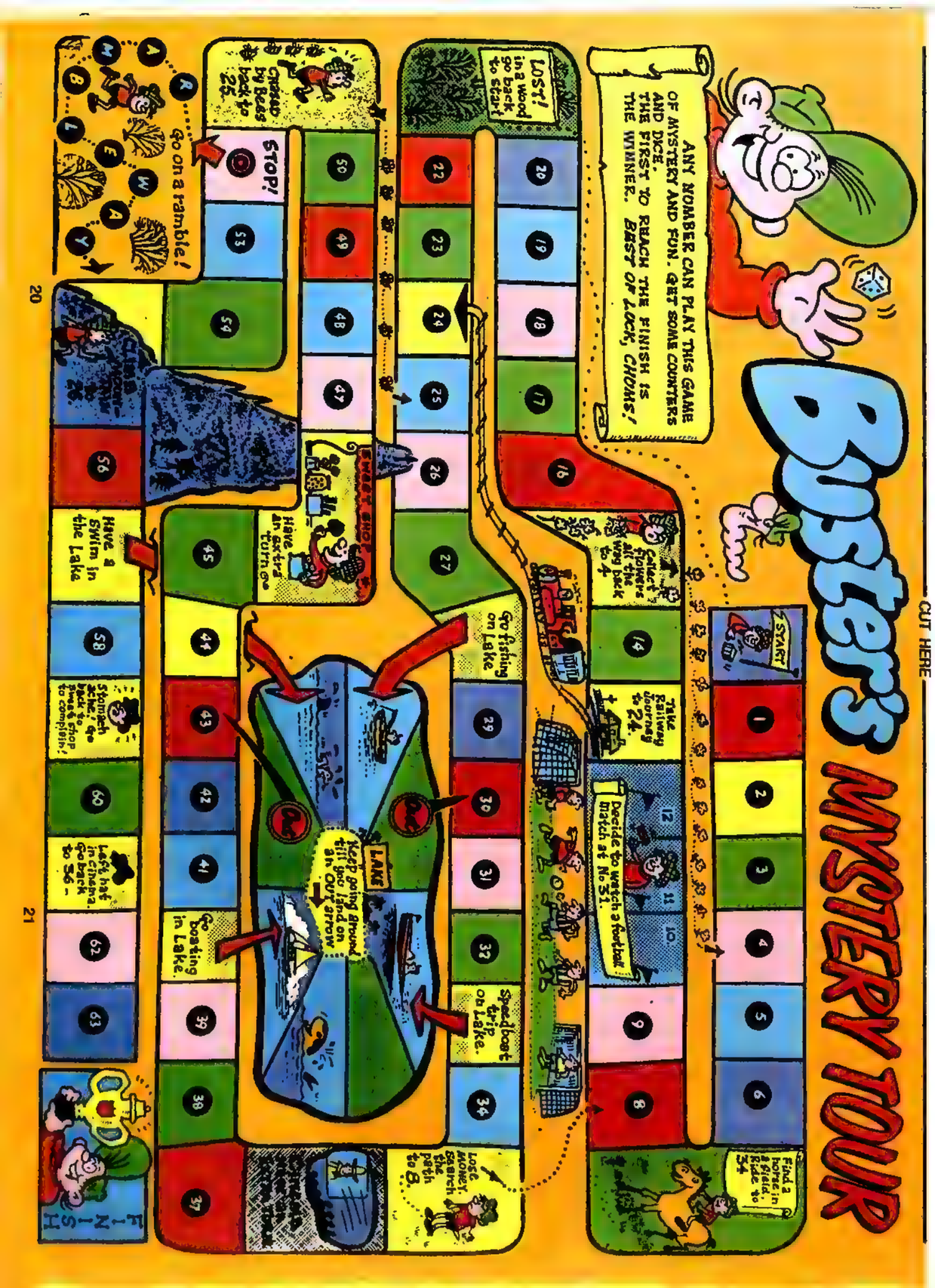
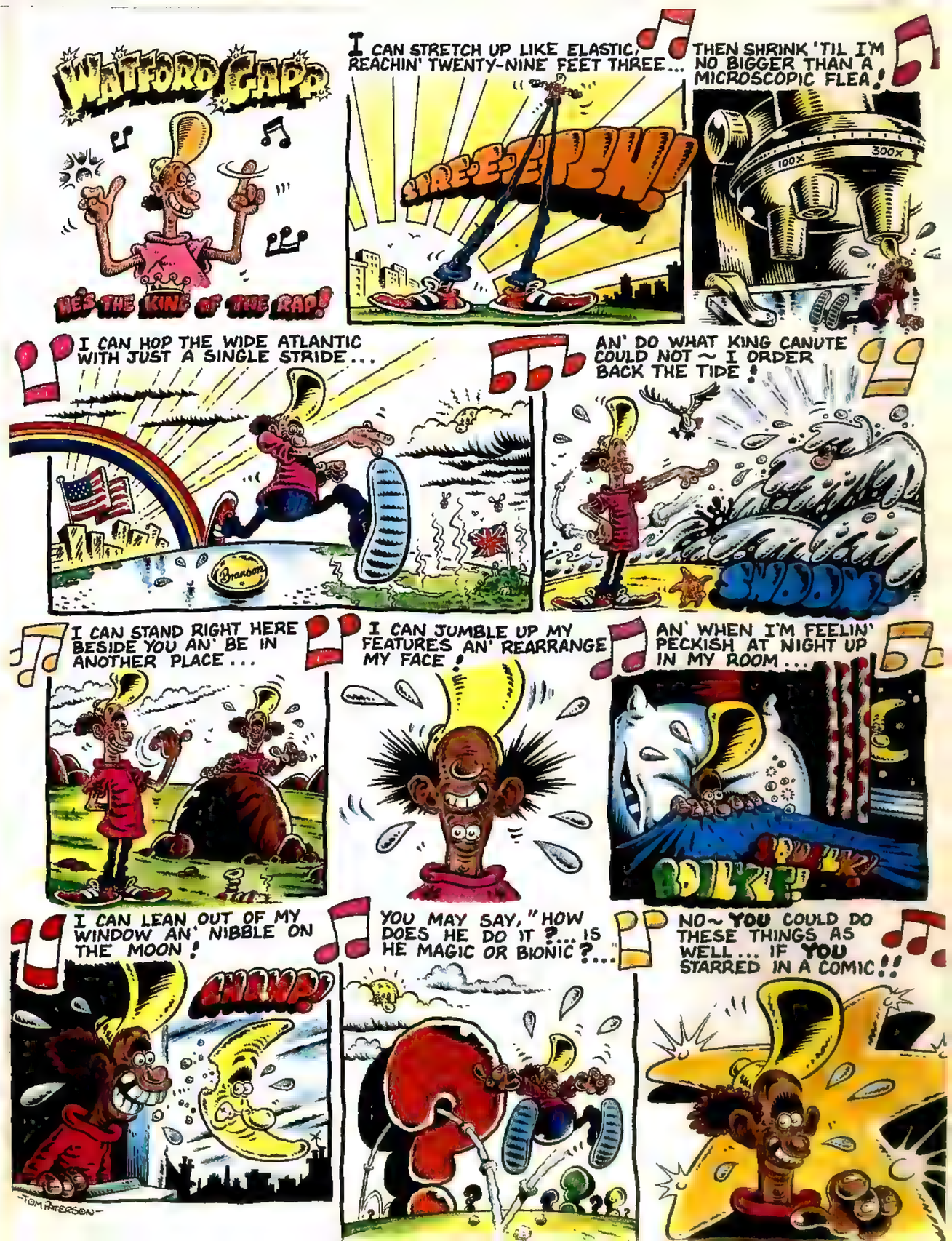
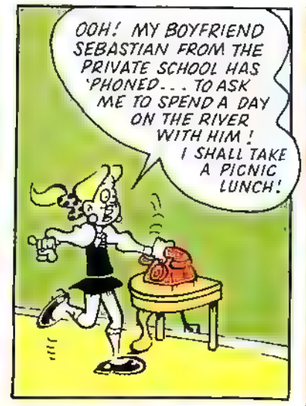


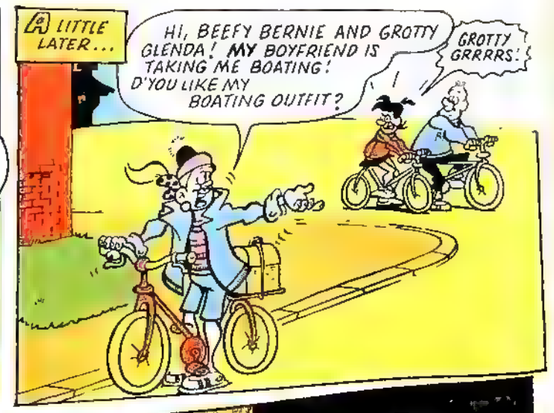
ANSWER: B COLLECTS 13 COINS, A AND C COLLECT 14 EACH, BUT D COLLECTS 20!

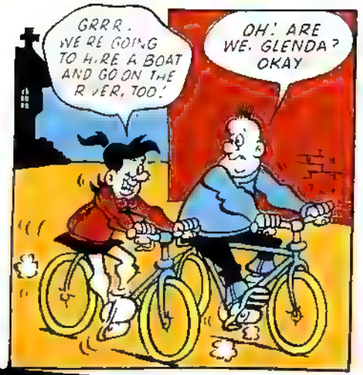

Buster's MYSTERY TOUR
ANY NUMBER CAN PLAY THIS GAME OF MYSTERY AND FUN. GET SOME COUNTERS AND DICE. THE FIRST TO REACH THE FINISH IS THE WINNER. BEST OF LUCK, CHUMS!
START
Find a horse in a field. Ride to 34.
Decide to watch a football match at No 31.
Take railway journey to 24.
Collect flowers all the way back to 4
Go fishing on Lake
Have an extra turn go
Have a swim in the Lake
Lost! in a wood go back to start
Crossed by Bess go back to 22
STOP!
go on a ramble!
Lost money! search the path to 8.
Speedboat trip on Lake.
Boating in Lake.
LAKE
Keep going around till you land on an OUT arrow
Stomach ache! go back to sweet shop to complain!
Last bat in cinema. go back to 56.
SWEET SHOP

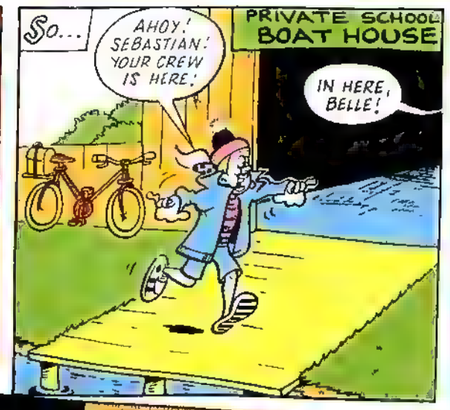

WATFORD GAPP
HE'S THE KING OF THE RAP!
I CAN STRETCH UP LIKE ELASTIC, REACHIN' TWENTY-NINE FEET THREE...
SPREEEEEK!
THEN SHRINK 'TIL I'M NO BIGGER THAN A MICROSCOPIC FLEA!
100X
300X
I CAN HOP THE WIDE ATLANTIC WITH JUST A SINGLE STRIDE...
AN' DO WHAT KING CANUTE COULD NOT ~ I ORDER BACK THE TIDE!
SWOOSH!
I CAN STAND RIGHT HERE BESIDE YOU AN' BE IN ANOTHER PLACE...
I CAN JUMBLE UP MY FEATURES AN' REARRANGE MY FACE!
AN' WHEN I'M FEELIN' PECKISH AT NIGHT UP IN MY ROOM...
BOLK!
I CAN LEAN OUT OF MY WINDOW AN' NIBBLE ON THE MOON!
CHOMP!
YOU MAY SAY, "HOW DOES HE DO IT?... IS HE MAGIC OR BIONIC?..."
NO~ YOU COULD DO THESE THINGS AS WELL... IF YOU STARRED IN A COMIC!!
TOM PATERSON

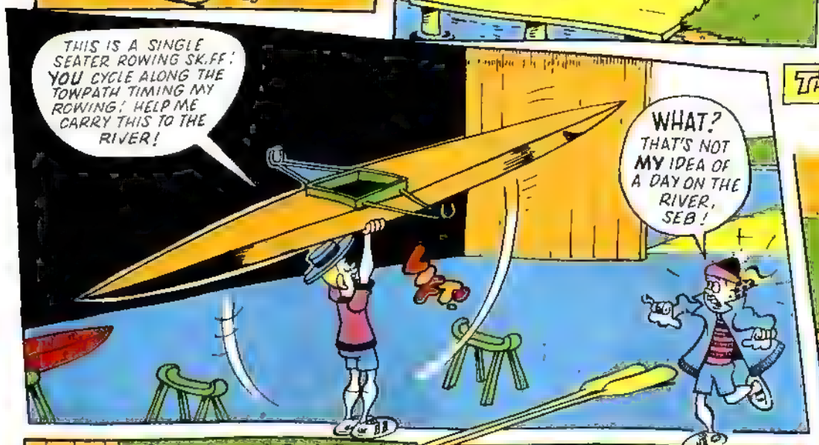
SCHOOL BELLE

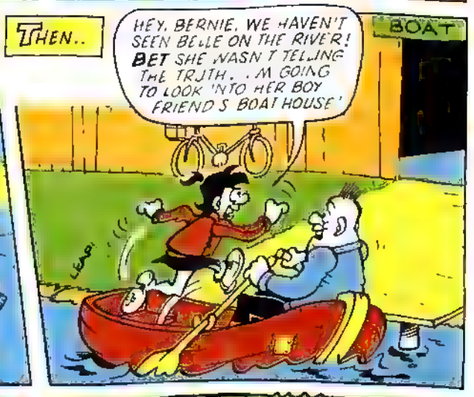


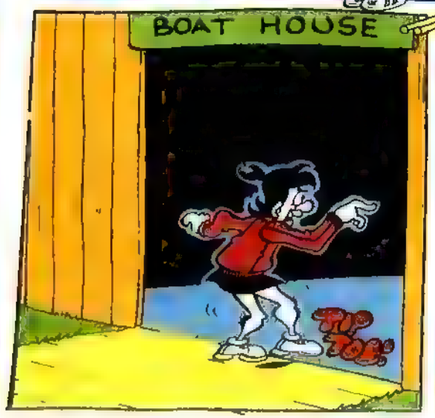


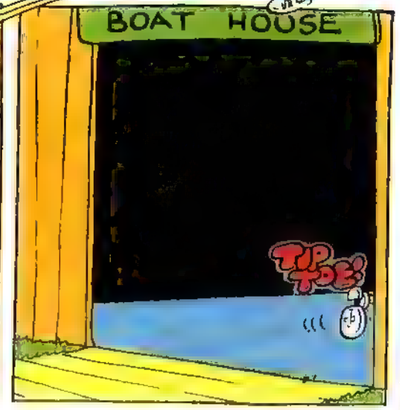


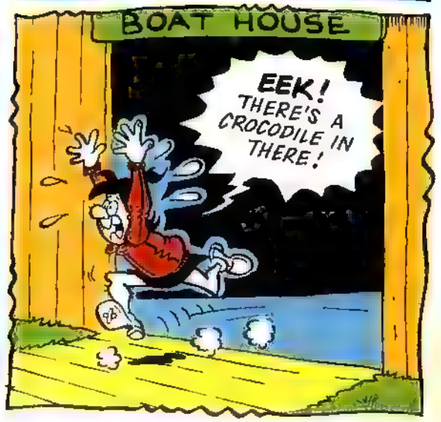


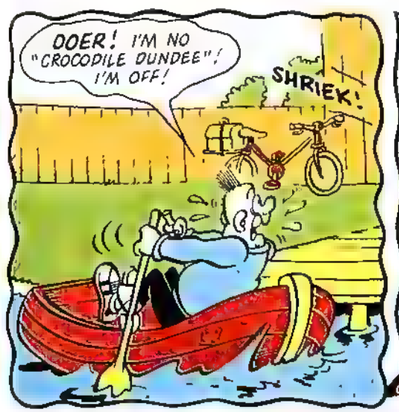


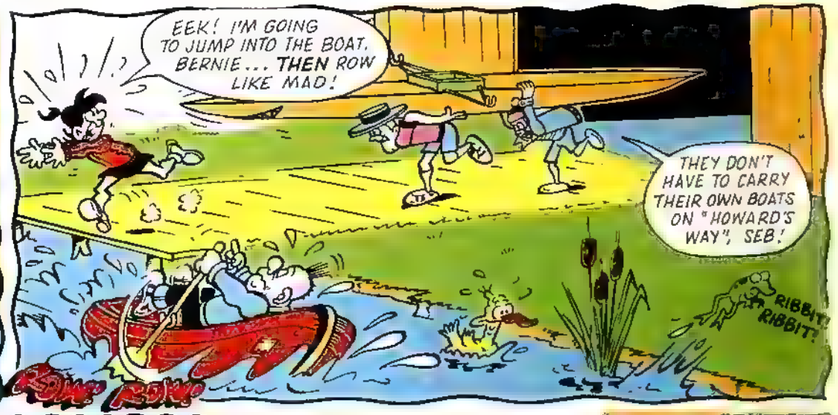


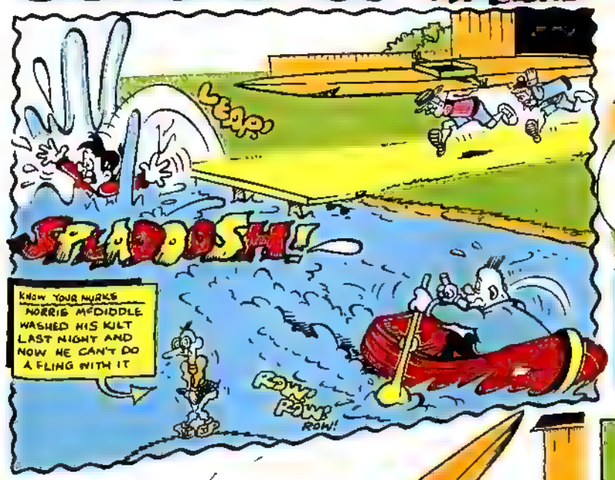


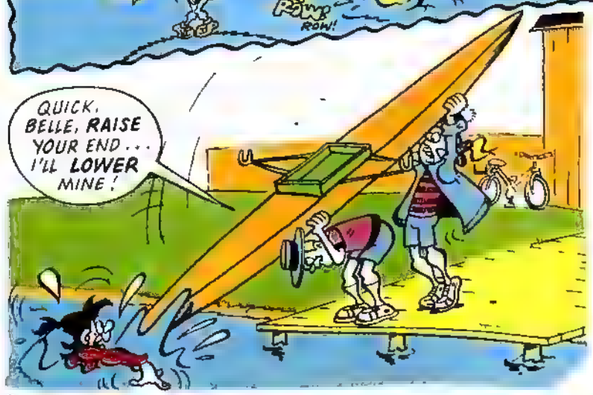


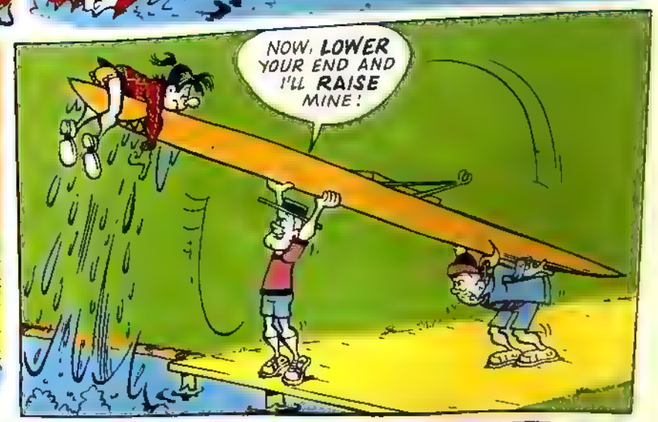


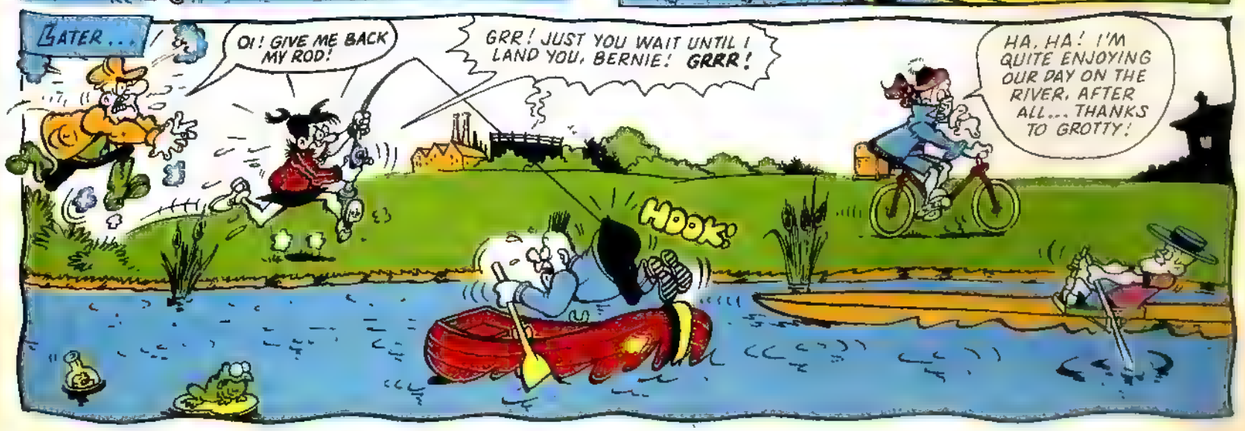


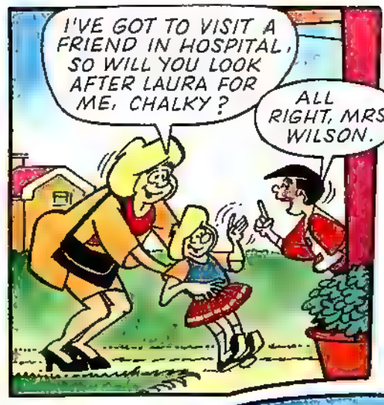


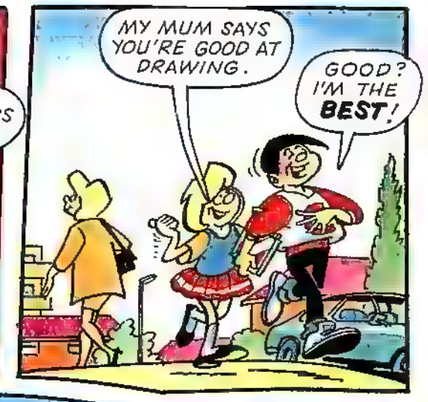


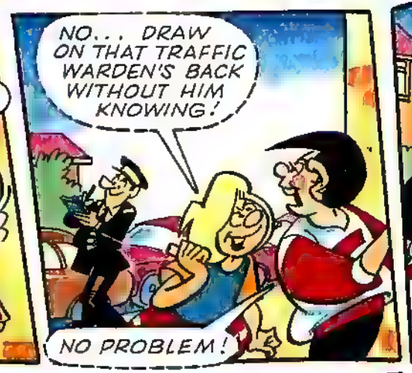


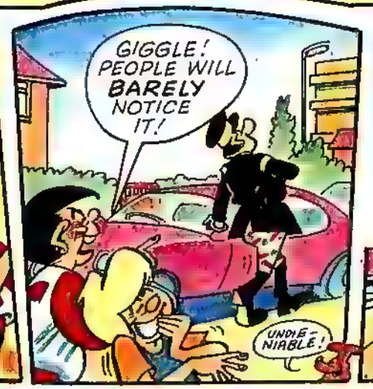


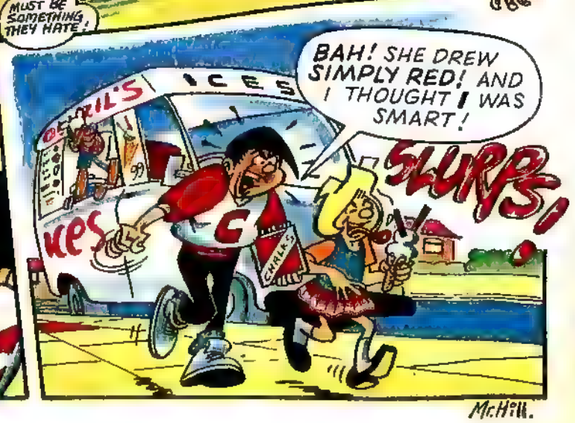












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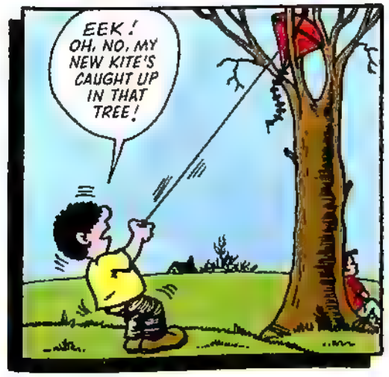
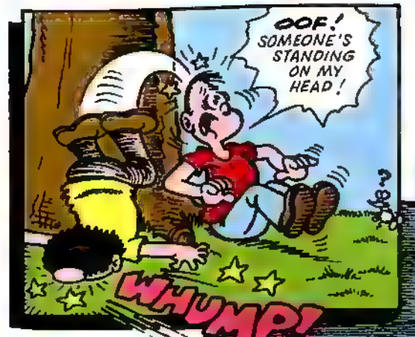
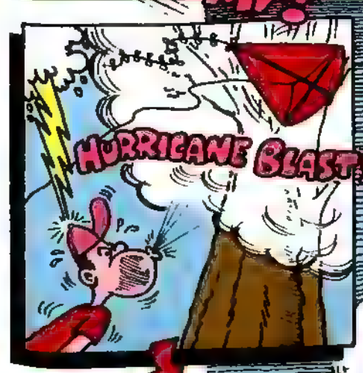
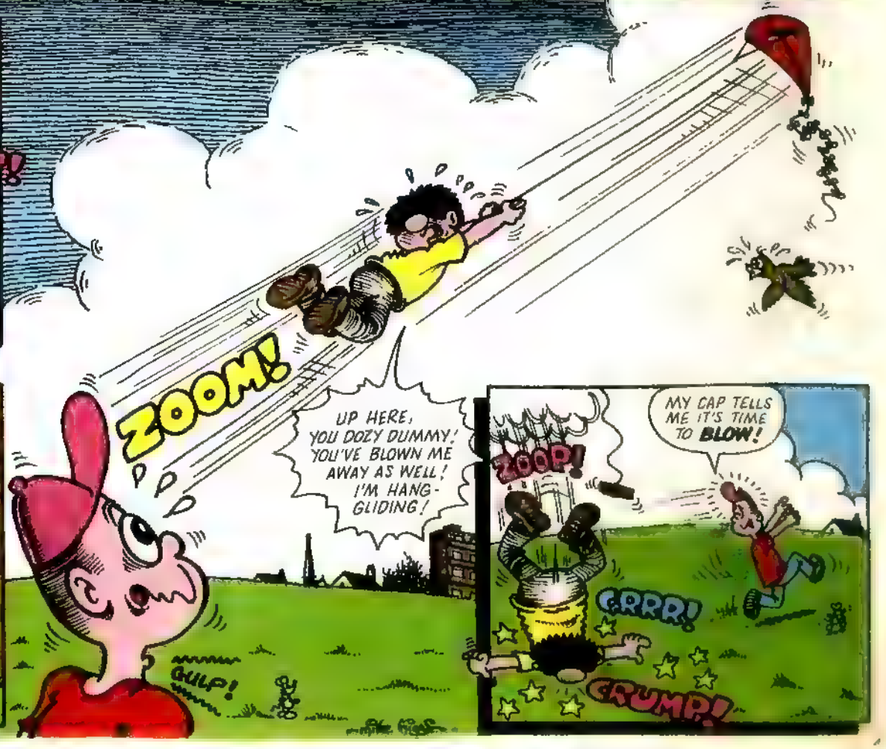


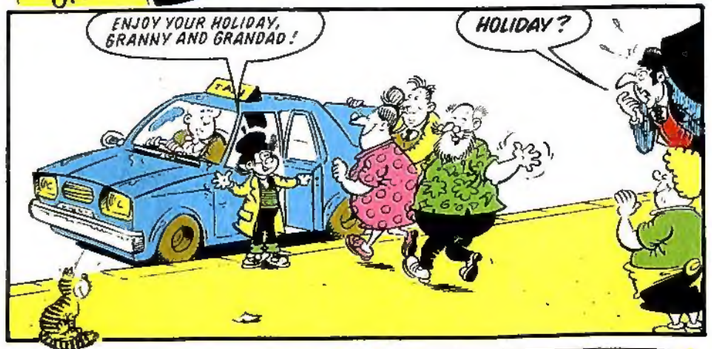


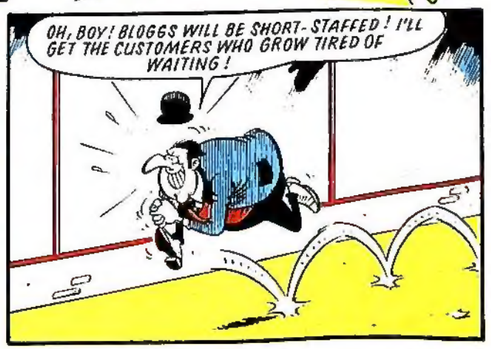


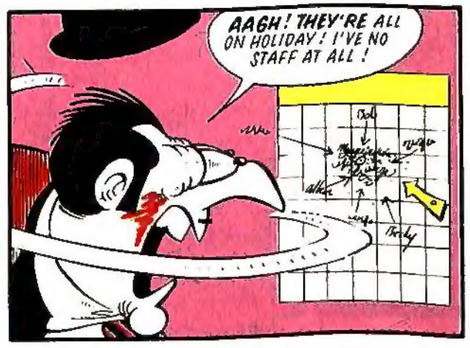


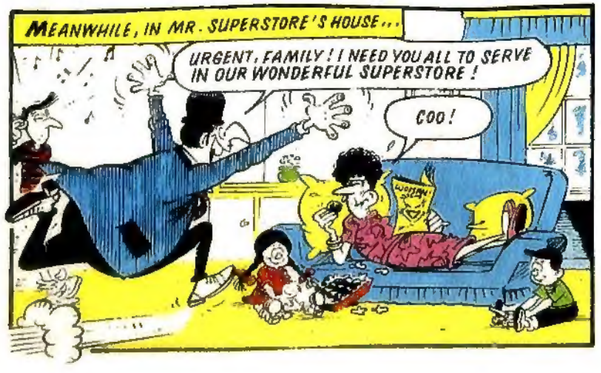
Store Wars

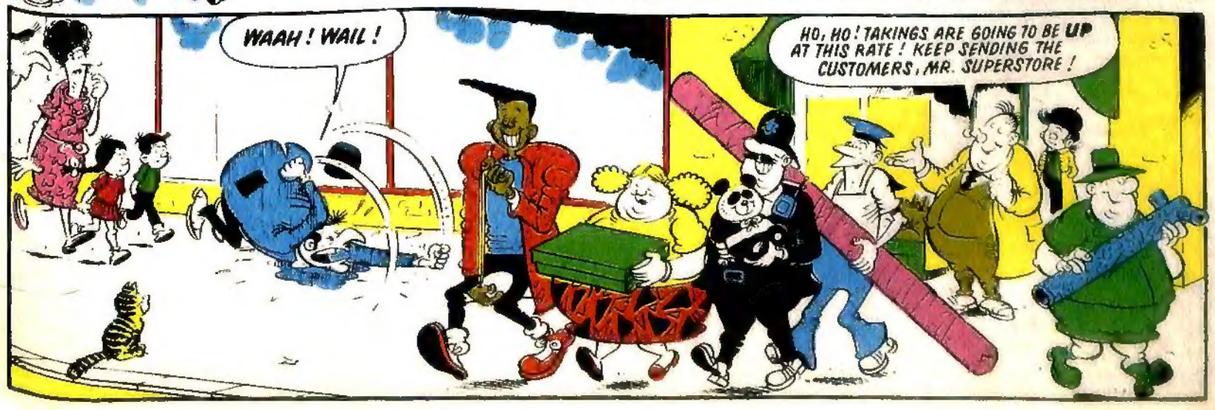
BARGAINS
REDUCTIONS!
SPECIAL OFFERS
£5 OFF
BARGAIN SALE











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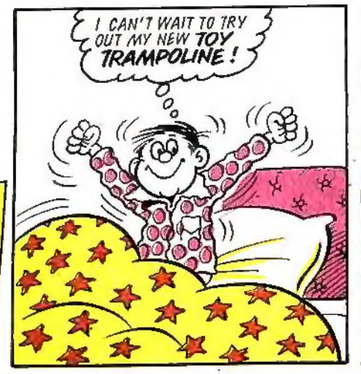

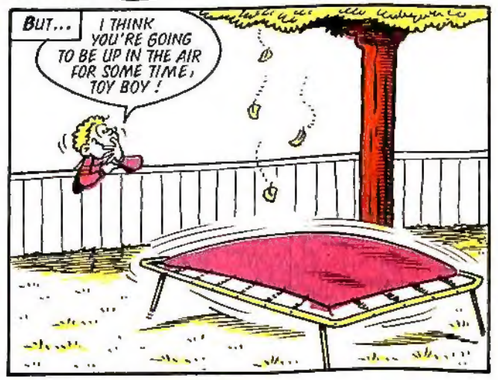

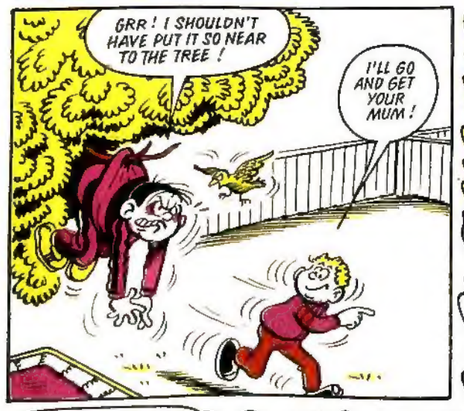

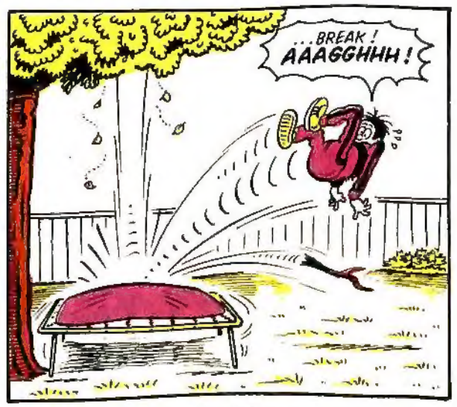

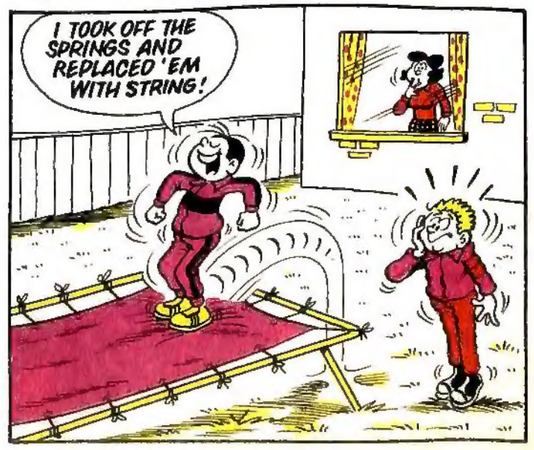

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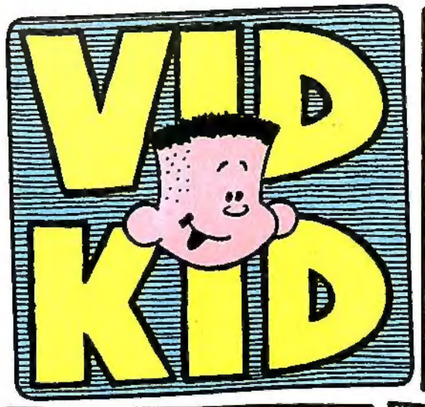
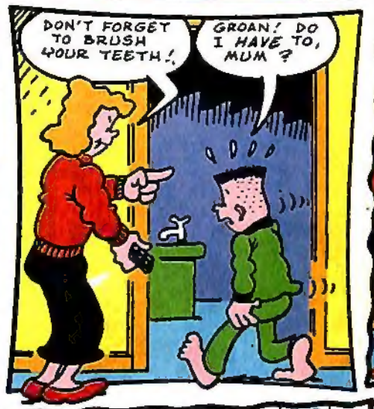
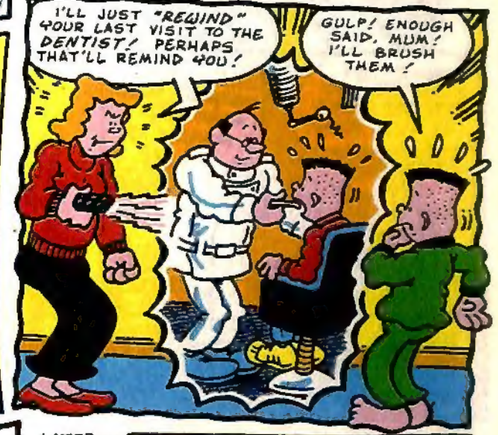
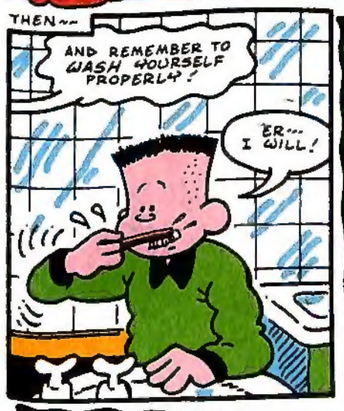
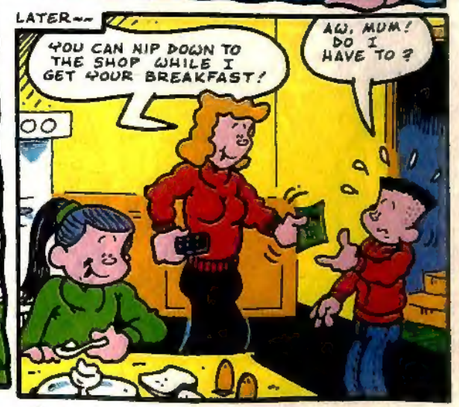
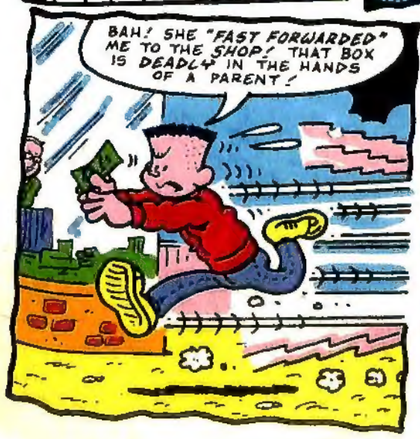


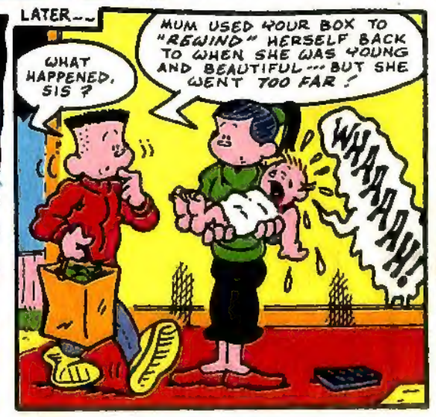






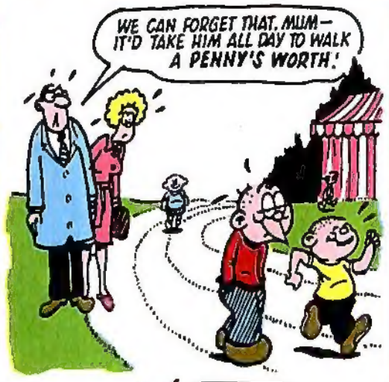


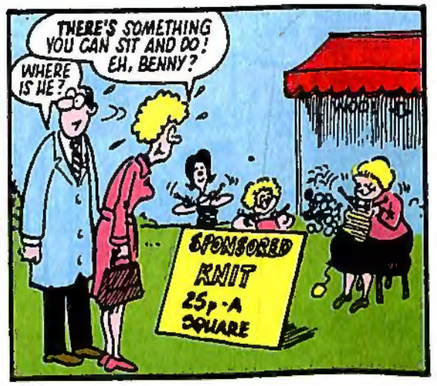


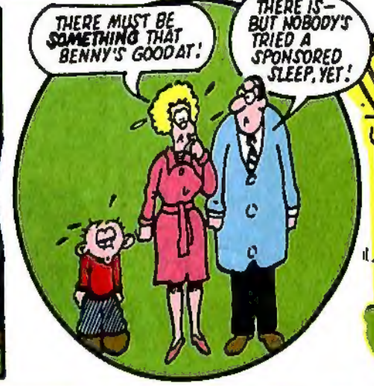


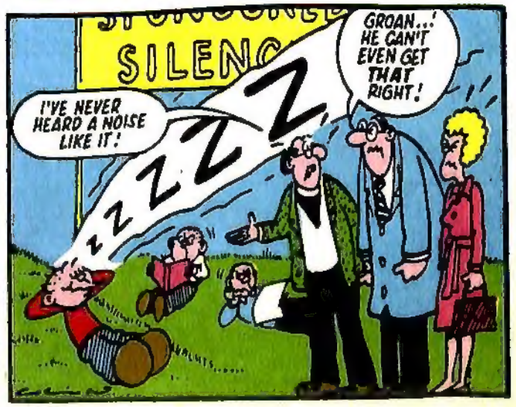
LAST WEEK'S DELIBERATE MISTAKE: In Picture 3, the bully was wearing odd shoes.

LAZY BONES









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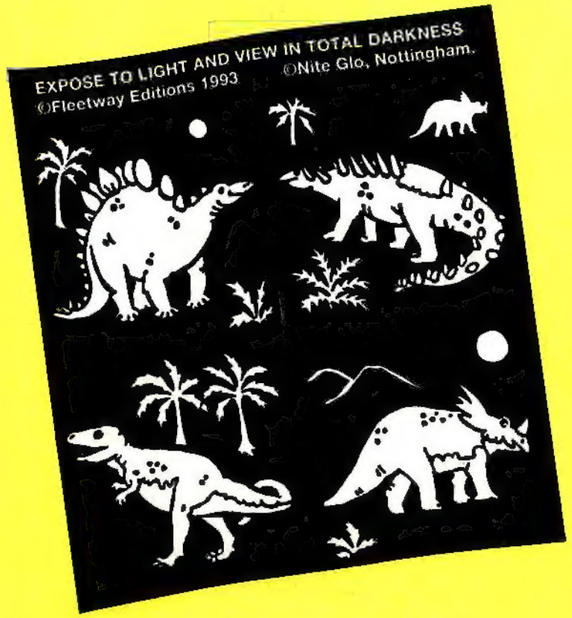

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